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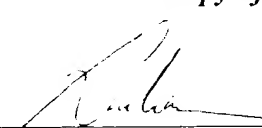
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Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.
Applicant must submit \$ 690 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$54.
 - \$54 for 3 total claims over 20.
- The oath or declaration is missing.
A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 874.

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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated August 28, 2000,
attached is the Declaration and Power of Attorney for the above-
identified application for filing in compliance with 37 CFR 1.53.

Attached is a check in the amount of \$894.00 to cover the
following fees:

\$764.00 - Filing Fee
130.00 - Surcharge Fee
\$894.00 - TOTAL

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge fees under
37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, or credit any
overpayment to Deposit Account #13-3402, two copies of this paper
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Respectfully submitted,



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